

Advocacy Services for Kids Family Support Partner

Advocacy Services for Kids is seeking one full-time Family Support Partner. This candidate must be the parent or caregiver of a child with mood, behavioral, or emotional disorders who will serve as a support to other families raising a youth with these types of disorders. The Family Support Partner's family must currently be receiving or have in the past received services from a child-serving agency for mental-health related issues, such as a community mental health agency, private therapist or psychiatrist, or residential treatment facility. The candidate must have experience with raising a child involved in special education/504, juvenile justice, child welfare, or community mental health.

The Family Support Partner will be responsible for building partnerships with parents, youth and professionals, and be committed to promoting a non-judgmental and respectful attitude with regards to families. Family Support Partners will provide families with information; referrals; support at school meetings, court hearings, Wraparound meetings; and training on advocacy and problem-solving skills. He or she must be welcoming, supportive, and able to provide a sense of hope.

The candidate must possess a high school diploma or GED. The Family Support Partner will possess strong oral and written communication skills, knowledge of community resources, and the ability to team with others. This position requires some evening and weekend hours because meetings need to be held to accommodate families' schedules. The successful candidate must also have basic typing/computer processing skills, and provide his or her own transportation.

Please see our website at www.askforkids.org for the full position description.

Please send a cover letter explicitly stating your experience raising a child with mood, behavioral, or emotional disorders, and a resume to Advocacy Services for Kids via email, mail or fax:

ASK
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Call Christine at ASK for more information: 269-343-5896

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RESUMES WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL SEPTEMBER 3, 2014